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2 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
3 SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
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5 **(HON. THOMAS J. WHELAN)**
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7 UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
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9 Plaintiff,
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v.
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12 ~~ERNESTO FLORES BLANCO,~~
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14 Defendant.
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16 Criminal No. 07-CR-3405-W
17 2/11/08

18 Date: January, 2008
19 Time: 2:00 p.m.

20 DECLARATION

21 I, Ernesto Flores Blanclo, declare:

- 22 1. I am the defendant in the above-captioned case pending before the Court;
- 23 2. This declaration is made in support of my motion to suppress statements and to suppress any evidence obtained after my warrantless arrest;
24 EF 300 feet
25 3. I live about two block from the U.S./Mexico border in Calexico, California;
26 4. It is common to see border patrol agents in my neighborhood at all hours of the day and night;
27 5. On the evening of December 9, 2007 I was out and about in my neighborhood visiting friends, taking one neighbor's garbage out to the street as he was out of town and I was doing him a favor; because the garbage is collected on Monday morning, this was on first street;
28 6. I also went out to see another friend and neighbor and that is when I was arrested by border patrol agents
29 7. I was not near the area where agents later said they arrested an undocumented person;
30 8. I was not engaged in assisting any undocumented people to come from Mexico to the United States;
31 9. On the night of my arrest, a Sunday night, after my arrest I was kept in a cell with no windows and could not tell what day or what time it was;
32 10. From the time of my arrest and for the following two days I was in custody before

1 being taken to court, the only thing I was given to eat was a bean burrito and some capri sun.

2 11. Officers would not let me sleep before
3 questioning me.

4 12. Officers also stripped searched me
5 and humiliatied me for no reason.

6 Date: January 18, 2008


7 Ernesto Flores Blanco

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